

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, June 10, 2003 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 700, Law and Justice Center, 104 West Front Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sweeney, Members, Bass, Berglund, Gordon, Segobiano, Sorensen, Hoselton, Renner and Bostic

Members Absent: None

Other Members Present: Member Rodgers

Staff Present: Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator; Mr. Terry Lindberg, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Christine Northcutt, County Administrator's Assistant

Department Heads/
Elected Officials Present: Mr. Craig Nelson, Director, Information Services, Mr. Will Scanlon, Trial Court Administrator, Ms. Roxanne Castleman, Director, Court Services

Others Present: Ms. Barbara Stuart

Chairman Sweeney called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Chairman Sweeney presented the minutes of the May 13, 2003 Committee meeting for approval.

Motion by Bass/Berglund to approve and place on file the minutes of the April 8, 2003 meeting. Motion carried.

Chairman Sweeney presented appointments and resignations for which the Committee's advice and consent is sought.

Motion by Segobiano/Bostic to recommend approval of the appointments and resignations as recommended by the Chairman. Motion carried.

Chairman Sweeney stated that the next item for consideration is a request for approval of a contract renewal for Sprint long distance and calling card services from the Information Services Department.

Motion by Berglund/Sorensen to recommend approval of the Contract Renewal with Sprint for long distance and calling card services. Motion carried.

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Chairman Sweeney stated the next item is an update for Committee members by Ms. Berglund. Ms. Berglund explained that she had distributed some information to the Committee members regarding the Illinois Association of County Board Members. Ms. Berglund advised the Committee that this item is for information only.

Chairman Sweeney moved on to the Committee reports.

Ms. Bostic, Chairman of the Property Committee, stated that there were two items for action. The first is a request for an Emergency Appropriation to correct the amount that was charged for the McBarnes Building boiler replacement in fiscal year 2003. When it was done at that time, the amount charged was incorrect and this will fix that.

Motion by Bostic/Renner to Recommend Approval
of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the
McLean County FY 2003 Combined Annual Appropriation
and Budget Ordinance General Fund 001, County Board
Department 001, McBarnes Building Capital Lease
Fund 0350, McBarnes Building Department 0085.

Mr. Zeunik stated that the Emergency Appropriation Ordinance which the County Board had originally approved in fiscal year 2003 had the wrong amount. The County Auditor has given us the corrected amount that is to be charged against the fiscal year 2003 budget. This Emergency Appropriation Ordinance does have additional language which basically nullifies the previous action.

Motion carried.

Ms. Bostic advised that next item for action is an operating agreement between McLean County and Bloomington Municipal Credit Union to operate a customer convenience site in the lobby of the Law and Justice Center.

Motion by Bostic/Sorensen to Recommend Approval of
An Operating Agreement Between McLean County and
Bloomington Municipal Credit Union to operate a Customer
Convenience site in the Lobby of the Law and Justice Center.

Mr. Segobiano stated that in the agreement, number three refers to services being offered to credit union members only and not the general public. The Law and Justice Center is a County owned building and if the County enters into exclusive rights, that may create a problem. Ms. Bostic replied that question did not come up in Committee. Ms. Bostic informed the Committee that you must be a member of the credit union to transact business with them. Mr. Segobiano stated that his point is, credit unions are exclusive and

that is the problem. Mr. Zeunik replied that the Bloomington Municipal Credit Union approached the County with this idea. This is the Credit Union that is available to County employees. They wanted to make the Credit Union's service available on site. Certainly, anyone who is a member of the credit union can use the window on County premises. Mr. Segobiano stated that some other organization may approach the County and want to use the County facilities. Ms. Bostic stated that if that happens, and it is an employee benefit, the County will consider that request at that time.

Mr. Sorensen asked if the Credit Union will go in the window when taxes are paid. Ms. Bostic stated that Ms. McNeil, County Treasurer will retain the primary use of the window. The credit union will work around her schedule.

Motion carried. Mr. Segobiano stated he would like to be recorded as present.

Ms. Bostic stated there are some items for information in the Committee's agenda packet.

Mr. Bass, Chairman of the Transportation Committee, stated that the Committee has no items for action. The Committee had no questions at this time.

Mr. Sorensen, Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that the Finance Committee has several items for action. The first item is a request for approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Department of Public Aid and the McLean County Nursing Home to authorize an alternate reimbursement method.

Motion by Sorensen/Berglund to recommend approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Department of Public Aid and the McLean County Nursing Home to authorize an alternate reimbursement methodology.

Mr. Gordon asked what was the original methodology. Mr. Sorensen stated that this agreement lays out a methodology for electronic fund transfers between the State and the County for payment of the bills and there is also reimbursement from the federal government. It is putting a new procedure in place for how the money moves as opposed to waiting for checks to be cut. Mr. Zeunik added that historically, only Cook County has been able to access this reimbursement methodology. This alternative methodology has allowed the Cook County health facilities to maximize their reimbursement from the State. It increases their reimbursement by a factor of 10%. The law was changed to permit all public nursing homes in Illinois to access this type of reimbursement. It will allow the McLean County Nursing Home to realize a 10% increase in reimbursement. This methodology allows the State to claim more dollars from the federal government.

Motion carried.

Mr. Sorensen stated that the next item is a request for approval of an ordinance for the Prevailing Rate for the Public Works wages for McLean County. This is an annual housekeeping matter.

Motion by Sorensen/Bostic to recommend approval of an Ordinance for Prevailing Rate of Public Works Wages for McLean County. Motion carried.

The next is a request for approval of a resolution amending the 2003 combined appropriation and budget amendment for West Nile Virus testing for the Health Department.

Motion by Sorensen/Berglund to recommend approval of the Resolution Amending the 2003 Combined Appropriation and Budget Amendment Grant Fund 0107 – West Nile Virus Testing. Motion carried.

The next is a request for a budget amendment of Grant Fund 0103 – WIC Program.

Motion by Sorensen/Gordon to recommend approval of a Resolution Amending the Budget Amendment Grant Fund 0103 – WIC. Motion carried.

The next item is a request for approval of a proposed lease agreement with the Public Building Commission (PBC) of McLean County to repair the exterior dryvit at the 200 West Front Street Building.

Motion by Sorensen/Bostic to recommend approval of a proposed Lease Agreement with the Public Building Commission of McLean County for repair/replacement of exterior Dryvit.

Mr. Sorensen explained to the Committee, that this item was pulled from last month's County Board agenda. It was proposed to be financed through the CDAP Revolving Fund. The Finance Committee became aware that PBC dollars could be available at a lower interest rate.

Motion carried.

Mr. Renner, Chairman of the Justice Committee, presented two items for action. The first item is a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2003 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance ESTB Operating Fund 0450, Emergency Telephone Systems Board Department 0098 Metro Communications Center Fund 0452, MetCom Department 0030. Mr. Renner stated that this is a monetary transfer that the ETSB has approved to fund for 3.0 full-time equivalent TeleCommunicators for MetCom's back-up center.

Motion by Renner/Sorensen to recommend approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2003 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance ESTB Operating Fund 0450, Emergency Telephone Systems Board Department 0098 Metro Communications Center Fund 0452, MetCom Department 0030.
Motion carried.

Mr. Renner stated that the second item has been under advisement for some time. There have been several hearings including one focusing on Tazewell County. There is strong evidence from communities that this will help to reduce jail overcrowding. It cannot be determined how much jail overcrowding will be reduced. The Justice Committee voted to recommend approval to establish a pre-trial release program with electronic monitoring as a priority in the fiscal year 2004 budget.

Motion by Renner/Berglund to recommend that a Pre-Trial Release Program/Electronic Monitoring Program be established as a priority in the FY 2004 budget.

Mr. Sorensen asked if the Committee is suggesting that this become a mandate for the 2004 budget. Mr. Renner stated that the Committee does not want to see other core programs cut, but they would like to see this incorporated in the 2004 budget. Mr. Segobiano stated that he shares Mr. Sorensen's concern. He will support this program, but he hopes that this will not become a number one priority. It should fall in line with all of the other services in the County. Mr. Sorensen stated that acting on this item in this way, has the potential for opening a Pandora's box for other Department Heads coming forward with their priorities and seeking the same type of consideration.

Motion carried.

There were no further questions for Chairman Renner.

Mr. George Gordon, Chairman of the Land Use and Development Committee, presented no items for action. He explained that the first item involves a preliminary subdivision plan. This item will go to the Board provided it is approved at a Special Committee Meeting prior to the County Board meeting. Dr. Koe has brought the proposal to the Land Use and Development Committee and there was a sufficient number of staff objections. He was granted an extension of time in order to try to correct those deficiencies. Mr. Gordon informed the Committee that the second item that he wanted to bring to the Committee's attention is the request to waive the second Special Use Permit fee for Mr. Dallas and Ms. Peggy Kaufman. The first permit they had received had expired and they had to apply for a second. Due to circumstances beyond the Kauffman's control, the Committee voted to refund one-half (\$275.00) of the \$550.00 fee. Neither of these items will be presented on the consent agenda. The Committee had no questions for Mr. Gordon at this time.

Chairman Sweeney asked Mr. Sorensen if he could update the Committee on the progress of the Rules Committee. Mr. Sorensen stated that scheduling issues have presented a problem and the Rules Committee has not met. Hopefully, before the next Executive Committee the Rules Committee will have a chance to meet and discuss the issue at hand.

Mr. Gordon stated there have been several changes in meeting times for the month of July. He asked if Mr. Zeunik could address that. Mr. Zeunik stated that the County Board Meeting in July has been moved back to July 22nd in order not to conflict with the National Association of Counties (NACo) conference, which is the third week in July. The Property Committee has moved their July meeting to Thursday, July 10th. The Land Use and Development Committee also voted to move their July meeting to July 10th. The Executive Committee normally meets on July 8th. It would be appropriate for the Executive Committee to meet on July 15th. With this change, all of the Oversight Committees will have met prior to the Executive Committee.

Motion by Renner/Berglund to move the July Executive Committee Meeting from Tuesday, July 8th at 4:30 p.m. to Tuesday, July 15th at 4:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Ms. Berglund asked if that would cause any problems with a quorum. Mr. Zeunik stated that she is the only Executive Committee Member attending the NACo Conference.

Chairman Sweeney presented the bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The fund total for this month is \$298,775.63.

Motion by Bostic/Renner to recommend approval of the Bills as of May 30, 2003 as presented by the Auditor.
Motion carried.

Motion by Sorensen/Renner to enter into Executive Session to Discuss the County Administrator's Yearly Evaluation. The following Individuals are included in the Executive Session: Mr. John Zeunik, Member Rodgers. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 5:02 p.m.

The Executive Committee returned to Open Session at 5:25 p.m. Chairman Sweeney asked for a motion to recommend approval of the Employment Agreement extension and merit review increase for the County Administrator.

Motion by Gordon/Bostic to recommend approval of an extension of the Employment Agreement with Mr. John M. Zeunik, County Administrator, to June, 2008, and to recommend approval of a one-time performance bonus of \$1,500.00, a merit review step increase of 5 steps, and an

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increase in the contribution to the County Administrator's deferred compensation plan of \$2,500.00. Motion carried.

Chairman Sweeney asked the Committee members for a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Bass/Berglund to adjourn the Executive Committee meeting at 5:35 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Northcutt
Recording Secretary